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from the storage roll (30) and joined with the composite (29) at the chill roll (8) as well. The finished sandwich (40) having the nonwoven liner (5), composite (29) made with the superabsorbent elastic foam (34) and film (36), and optionally, the backsheet cover (32) are conveyed by a roller (9) for further processing and storage. --

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

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Q2 18) (Amended) A method of making a composite for personal care products comprising the steps of co-extruding a film composition with a foam composition from a multiple-manifold cast film die, to form a composite material.

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Q3 21) (Amended) The method of claim 20 further comprising the step of joining at least two parts of the material and sealing a seam formed by said at least two parts of said material after joining the two parts of the material.

Remarks

Claims 18-22 are presented for Examiner Goff's consideration.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

By way of the Office Action mailed May 30, 2002, Examiner Goff restricted the claims to be examined to claims 18-22. Applicant hereby reaffirms its election to proceed with examination of these claims, but does so without prejudice to pursue the nonelected claims at a later date through divisional application.

By way of the Office Action, the Examiner has objected to the drawing as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(4) because the reference character "10" has been used to designate two different items in various figures. Likewise, reference characters 11-16 also represent different parts with the same number. Proposed drawing corrections have been submitted herewith in red ink to